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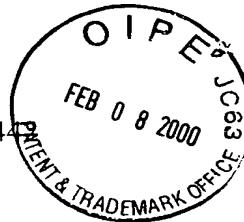
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Assistant Commissioner For Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 to inform the Patent and Trademark Office of all references coming to the attention of each individual associated with the filing or prosecution of the subject application, which are or may be material to the patentability of an claim of the subject application, Attorneys for Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to references DZ-EJ listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of references DZ-EJ is enclosed.

References DZ-EJ cited in the present supplemental IDS were recently brought to the attention of the Applicants in connection with an opposition to an Australian application, that essentially corresponds to the U.S. priority application, U.S. Patent No. 5,935,820.

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. See 37 CFR 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be considered during the prosecution of this application.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), since this information disclosure statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, no fee is due in connection herewith. However, should the Patent Office determine otherwise, please charge the required fee to Human Genome Science, Inc., deposit account no. 08-3425.

Respectfully submitted,

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